

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the most serious economic and national security challenges we face are cyber threats; and

WHEREAS, Each one of us relies on the security of our banking, power grid, healthcare, transportation, defense, and numerous other systems; and

WHEREAS, Cyber criminals and nation states are stealing our intellectual property at an increasing and alarming rate and eroding our nation's greatness, prosperity, and competitiveness; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Defense has recognized Cyber as the fifth warfighting domain along with land, sea, air, and space; and

WHEREAS, The City of Huntsville has created the Cyber Huntsville initiative to develop synergies between Government, industry, and academia to bring the best of the Tennessee Valley's capabilities to help the nation with its cyber challenges; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that during the month of October we both redouble our efforts in the area of cyber security, and seek to educate all citizens on the criticality of cyber security in virtually every aspect of our electronic society:

Now, Therefore, I Mayor of the city of Huntsville, do hereby proclaim

OCTOBER 2011, AS CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in Huntsville, Alabama.

In honor of this event, I encourage citizens, community agencies, businesses, religious organizations, and others to reflect on the role each of us play in protecting not only ourselves, but also our great nation. I further encourage any willing volunteers, whether it be non-technical volunteers to help us host events, or business and technical volunteers helping to solve business and technical challenges, to consider joining Cyber Huntsville's existing volunteers in making a difference for the nation.

DATED the 20th day of October 2011.

Tommy Battle Mayor